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SUBJECT: VISIT BY GOVERNMENT/INDUSTRY PATENT DELEGATION

REF: (A) TAIPEI 2657, (B) STATE 098475, (C) TAIPEI 4136

1. U.S. GOVERNMENT/INDUSTRY PATENT DELEGATION PLANNING
SECOND VISIT TO TAIPEI TO FOLLOW UP JUNE '76 MEETING
(REF C) ON CHANGES IN ROC PATENT LAW.

2. JUNE '76 MEETING WAS HELD TO DISCUSS NEW INTERPRETATION
OF ROC PATENT LAW WITH RESPECT TO CHEMICAL USE INVENTIONS.
AT THAT TIME IT WAS THE U.S. DELEGATION'S UNDERSTANDING
THAT CONSIDERATION WOULD BE GIVEN TO PATENTABILITY OF NEW
METHODS OF USE OF CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS, IF SUCH METHODS WERE
"NON-OBVIOUS", WHEN PATENT LAW WAS REVISED. PURPOSE OF
SECOND MEETING IS TO DISCUSS SUCH REVISION WITH MR. CHANG,
ACTING MINISTER OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS; DR. NING, DIRECTOR OF
THE BUREAU OF STANDARDS; AND MR. SUN, MINISTER OF ECONOMIC
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AFFAIRS, IF HIS HEALTH PERMITS. PAPERS ON NON-OBVIOUSNESS
REQUIREMENTS, ADVISABILITY OF PATENTING CHEMICAL COMPOUNDS,
AND COMPULSORY LICENSING ARE BEING PREPARED FOR THE MEETING.

3. THE U.S. DELEGATION WILL AGAIN BE HEADED BY PTO ASSIST-
ANT COMMISSIONER MEANY. INDUSTRY MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION

WILL BE REPRESENTATIVES FROM MONSANTO, PHILIPS PETROLEUM,
AND POSSIBLY MOBILE OIL COMPANY.

4. MR. CHANG SAID HE COULD NOT MEET WITH A U.S. PATENT
DELEGATION BEFORE MID-JUNE (REF A). ACCORDINGLY, U.S.
PATENT DELEGATION WOULD BE ABLE TO GO TO TAIWAN FOR A
MEETING ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22 OR, ALTERNATIVELY, WEDNESDAY,
JUNE 29.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY REQUESTED TO CONTACT
MR. CHANG AND INQUIRE AS TO SUITABILITY OF EITHER OF
THESE DATES. CHRISTOPHER

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